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HONGKONG, JANUARY 4TH, 1910.

When the late Prince Ito, on the eve of his departure for Harbin, disavowed the suggestions in the Japanese Press that his mission was a political one of much importance, the disavowal was regarded as ironical and very diplomatic. We now observe that the Times correspondent at St. Petersburg commenting on the persistence of the mischievous rumours in Russia of impending complications between Russia and Japan in the Far East, remarks that misleading reports concerning the Prince's each. mission probably helped to prepare the ground for the sensational stories which are being so freely canvassed in Russia, Everybody, he says, imagined that Prince Ito went to Harbin to negotiate, and naturally expected that the negotiations would be resumed after his untimely death. But the Correspondent says he is in position to state " on the highest authority " this evening. that Prince Ito did not go to Harbin on a fer and was essentially a demonstration of the friendly feelings of Japan towards Russia. During the quarter of an hour a railway carriage the Japanese statesman clearly explained this to be the object of his journey, and invited M. Kokovrsoff to visit. Japan. The ensuing tragedy, while it. upset the plans for a Russian visit to Japan, has led to no change whatever in the attitude of Japan and Russia towards one another." | Carnival.

The Novoye Vremya, the organ of the Russian Government, has been demonstrating ever since the absurdity of the rumours of an impending conflict which, however, are still being circulated with astonishing industry "to the unbounded satisfaction of Bourse manipulators." Reports that Japan -is-placing-large-orders for war material in Germany and England are adduced by sensation-mongers as positive evidence of impending hostilities, and the Times Correspondent remarks that prominent organs like the Reich, the Russkoe Slove, the Goles, and the Bourse Gazette, which bestow spasmodic attention upon foreign affairs, regale their Imported from the Leading London, New | readers with alarmist tales of Japan's war preparations, supplementing them with gossip about differences on Far Eastern policy between M. Isvolsky, the Foreign Minister, M. KOKOVISOFF, Minister of Finance, and M. SURHOMLINOFF. Minister of War.

All the correspondents of the London Press stationed in St. Petersburg agree engaged upon the war estimates some excuse for the manifestation of Chauvinistic tendencies on the part of the military authorities in Eastern Siberia, who are personally desirous of larger local disbursements, they note that the campaign has, further, the

design of once more diverting Russia's attention from Europe and preventing relations with Japan, which, according to the Times correspondent, is what sober opinion in both countries desire. Certainly there is no Chauvinistic tendency manifested in the Japanese Press, and it is only from St. Petersburg that we get any news at all of the alleged impending complications. What all the trouble is about number of ladies who attend, and it is desired is not clearly stated, and the only idea we get from reading the reports is that since the war Japan has pursued an active policy while Russia has done nothing in the Far East, and, according to the Russians who return from the Far East to St. Petersburg, the results of this divergency of attitude are now making themselves plain, and evidently inspire the belief that Japan sooner or later will encroach upon the Russian sphere. Evidently the Russian Foreign Minister finds it no easy task to dissipate these apprehensions, especially as the War Minister Russia which may lead to hostilities. There is certainly no disposition shown on the part of Japan to create a quarrel; on

H.M.S. Kent has returned to the Colony with a new crew, having recommissioned at Colombo.

Yesterday saw a gradual return to business n the Colony. The holiday spirit was, however, prevalent.

for desiring to avoid one.

Two quartermasters on the Rubi have been fined pesos 500 each for importing opium into the Philippines.

Rizal Day was observed on December 30th, the Filipino hero being commemorated in Manila by processions and sports.

Mr. R. B. Hurry, Mus. Bac., the new organist at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, arrived in the northern port on Christmas Day.

The King's exequator empowering Mr. J. M. Macedo to act as Consul of Peru at Hong. kong has received His Majesty's signature.

Sixteen natives, who were charged before Mr. . R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday with gambling at 20, D'Aguilar Street, were fined \$4.

The Bishop of Victoria and Mrs. Lander ask us to announce that they will be "at home" their residence, 75, Mount Kellet Road, the Peak. lesch Thursday during this month.

The Rev. H. O. Spink is the leader of the discussion on "The Church Universal" at the third meeting in connection with the universal

William New, a Chinese student who went to diplomatic mission. "His visit to Harbin | England to continue his studies after a course was an act of courtesy to the Russian Minis- at St. John's University, Jessfield, has been appointed a Demonstrator of Anatomy at

Mr. D. P. Ricketts, formerly district a cost of 16s. net. Mr. Sergeant showed high -spent by Prince Ito and M. Kokovisoff in engineer, has been appointed Engineer-in-Chief literary qualities while Editor of the Daily resigned.

> Mr. P. G. McDonnell, member of the Municipal Board of Manila, was to leave last week for Hongkong with the object of arranging for the visit of one or more pelo teams to the

A native who was arrested at Ho Kui Kok for being in unlawful possession of a quantity of prepared opium was ordered by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday to pay a fine

of \$120, or to go to gaol for two months. As the time is rapidly approaching for sending another mission to enquire after the welfare of the Chinese in the South Pacific Islands, the Board of Agriculture, Industry and Commerce and the Wniwnpu are reported to be looking about for a suitable official to lead the mission.

The President of the Board of Posts and Communications and Sir Robert Bredon have decided that all postmon in the Peking Postal district shall go about their duty on bicycles from the 1st of January, 1910, and one hundred machines have been ordered for the purpose.

A Chinese sapper from Wellington Barracks was charged before Mr. E. R. Hallifax at the Magistracy yesterday with being in unlawful possession of a quantity of brass filings. The charge was proved and the defendant was ordered to pay a fine of \$25, the alternative being one month's imprisonment.

The Chinese Consul at Singapore has telegraphed to the Waiwupu reporting that a Japanese and Russian Governments are number of revolutionists are sending arms perfectly normal and friendly, and while and ammunition to Amoy, Swatow and they see in the fact that the Duma has been Tungshan and that the anti-dynastic party leader Chen Koh and many of his followers intend to raise a rebellion in Amoy and Tungshan. On receipt of the telegram the Board instructed the Taotai of Amoy to take the necessary precautionary steps.

Apparently the ladies of the Colony have not so far made a satisfactory response to the appeal made by the Rev. T. F. Johnson as hon. secretary of the St. John's Ambulance Association for the names of those wishing to attend the coming lecture courses. The series of lectures on "Home Nursing" commence on Friday at St. Paul's College and the lectures on "First Aid" at the Victoria Hospital on the following Tuesday afternoon. A card just issued by the hon, secretary intimates that the continuance of these lectures must depend on the that names should be sent in to the hon. secretary without delay.

Discussing the currency question with the members of the Waiwupu the other day points. The Union, it is urged, is Prince Tsai Tse said that the confusing variety the only security for the millions of of coins and notes in circulation in China is largely due to the importation of foreign money, and that to have a uniform currency foreign land purchase. money must be first kept out of the country. H. E. Liang Tun-yen replied that two yearsago his predecessor Yuan Shih-kai and Sir Robert Hart were drawing up a scheme and the matter was dropped owing to the latter's departure for England, and suggested that it be brought up again when he comes back, as he apprehensions, especial, and The result of maintained and are week, has been well maintained and are wantened to the line subject some days ago, viz., that prices have ruled higher. China exchange Editor, not for publication but as evidence of there is nothing whatever in the general rates keep so close to the parity of silver that sulates abroad, with the exception of situation to justify the anticipation of operations on account of China have been done that at Constantinople. any serious friction between Japan and both ways. At the higher level of prices now obtained China is more inclined to sell, but on the least drop it buys. The stock in London is reduced to moderate dimensions, little more than sufficient to provide for "bear" covering as the dates fall due. Buying orders continue to come from the Continent and practically monopolize the market, which is supplied from ordinary channels alone, for the steadiness of have arrived in Vienna.

the price deters speculators from selling. By arrangement with the Japanese authorities, it has been decided to fix certain fete days to be distinguished as gala occasions during the course of the Japan-British Exhibition in London. These will be:-The birthday of the Empressof Japan (May 28), the anniversary of the birth of the Crown Princess (June 25), the day on which the Anglo-Japanese Agreement was signed (August 12), the date of the signing of the first Anglo-Japanese Commerical Treaty (August 26), and the accession day of the Emperor of Japan (August 27). On the last day of August the birthday of the Crown Prince will be celebrated, and on September 24 there will be the feast of the autumnal equinox, one of the public holidays in Japan. On October 17 there is to be a Japanese harvest festival. England, Scotland, and Wales, the Colonies, and our principal municipalities will also have special gala days.

Two former residents of Hongkong have made recent additions to English literature. In collaboration with Mr. Mortimer Menpes, the wellknown impressionist and disciple of Whistler (who is responsible for the paintings), Sir Henry Blake, our last Governor but one, contributes "China" to what has been described as Mossrs. Black's "admirable series of Beautiful Books," which have done so much to lighten the week of prayer to be held at St. Paul's College | literature of travel." The combination of Blake and Menpes ought to produce a highly interest. ing volume. Sir Henry was noted for his pro-Chinese proclivities while resident here, while being seven days imprisonment. Monpes had all an artist's ardour for the pioturesque in Chinese life. The other work to which we refer is Mr. P. W. Sergeant's "Cleopatra of Egypt," published by Hutchison, interproduced four works that have been warmly described as "an experiment," and adds: "The lack of memoirs full of picturesque particulars prevents the experiment from achieving the full success that one could wish for it, though it is interesting and ingenious."

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lives were lost. [The Ayrshire is a steamer of 4,824 tons not, owned by Mr. D'Arcy M. Dawes, of London, and was built in 1903.

THE BRITISH ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND THE HOUSE or Lords.

London, January 3rd. Mr. Lloyd George. Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking at Reading, eighteen millions for social reform, but the people were unable to benefit till not out, and Mayhew 6, not out, the match they swept the irresponsible hereditary obstruction out of existence.

IRISH UNIONISTS AND HOME RULE

The Irish Unionists have issued a manifesto appealing to the electors of Great Britain to disregard other issues and avert Home Rule which is the avowed forerunner of separation, and would thus be a standing menace from both naval and military standmoney Great Britain is lending for

THE POLITICAL CRISIS IN GREECE.

London, January 3rd.

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THE CHINESE NAVAL COMMISSION.

London, January 3rd. The Chinese Naval Commissioners

They were conveyed to the quarters assigned for them in Court carriages escorted by a guard of honour.

> THE WAYS OF THE CHINESE SERVANT.

A Chinese cook who has been employed at the Yaumati Police Station for about five years was charged before Mr. E.R. Hallifax at the Magistracy yesterday with leaving his employment without giving the requisite notice. The defendant asked for and was granted leave to visit a sick cousin at Kongmoon. Instead of proceeding to the home of the invalid, however, he accepted another and more lucrative appointment. This came to the knowledge of the police, and a warrant was issued for his arrest But before it was executed Sergeant Macdonald received the following letter:-

"SIR, -I am very to say that formerly I asked for four days' leave for my home, but now it is fortnight. At present I am looking for job in steamer and not willing to return to my post. I thank you very much for looking after me so long, please get another cook at your service. Hoping you are getting on well. Yours servantly,

AH FUN." Ah Fün was busy preparing a New Year's day dinner at his new place when a policeman tapped him on the shoulder and asked for the Corinthian Yacht Club took place yesterday, the The deserter, as previously stated, was charged at the Magistracy yesterday, when Sergeant Macdonald asked his Worship to deal leniently with him, as he had been a good servant. His Worship imposed a fine of \$3, the alternative

THE TEA DUTY IN ENGLAND.

In answer to an inquiry, Mr. Rowland Alston, chairman of the committee of the Tea Buyers Association, stated on the 9th ult. that, as the of the Imperial Chinese Railways, in succession | Tress, and since his return to London has trade, an absolute unanimity of opinion has been reached with the result that not a single commended by the critics. The Times, in its docks upon which a deposit of 5d. per lb. in lieu Special Christmas Literary Supplement, says of duty has not been paid. Not only has the that Mr. Sergeant's latest work is frankly entire London trade come into line, but a deposit has been paid on the few thousand pounds of tea which had left the control of the Customs under guarantee, since Saturday last. Upon inquiry at the Custom House, confirmation of the latter statement was received.

LOCAL SPORT. CRICKET.

H.H.C.C. U. UNITED SERVICES. The two days' match between these teams concluded yesterday, the Services winning by six wickets and three runs. There was a large attendance to witness the game, and the pleasure of the afternoon was enhanced by the cordina reception accorded those who attended the "A Home" given by Vice Admiral the Hon. Sir Hed worth Lambton, Major General R. G. Broadwood and the officers of the United Services. Th Rajput Band was in attendance, and enlivened the proceedings with pleasing selections of music.

The day proved an auspicious one for the United Services team, for besides winning the big match comfortably, they had a scratch match which followed, well in hand, and would probably have scored a second victory if time had permitted.

When stumps were drawn on the opening day of the principal match, after each team had concluded its first innings, the Services had a lead of 25 runs. Yesterday, the Hongkong team made a much better stand in its second innings, R. E. Oliver, not out, contributing a

Pearce 23, to the total of 207. 34. The successors were Garnett and Pelly. 48 before Young took his wicket, and the said the Government had allocated latter was bowled by R. E. Oliver when his total stood at 16. With Baird 12,

> The bowling analysis shows that six of the Club wickets fell to Baird for a total of 75 runs, while two fell to Bagnall for 37 runs. R. E. Club, speaking in glowing teams of the Oliver took two of the Services wickets for 66, generosity of the Hon. Mr. Gresson in thus while one fell to Bird for 46, and one to Young | placing the site at their disposal.

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CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB.

course being-start from Fenwick's to North Fairway Buoy (Starboard), Channel Rocks (Starboard), and in. Distance 94 miles. Splendid sailing weather prevailed and the boats were well manœuvred by the boys. The results for the various classes were as follows:---Handicap Class. Corrected Time.

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#### B.O.C. "AT HOME."

The members of the Boys' Own Club were at home to a their friends yesterday afternoon, the occasion being the formal opening of the new Club house by Mrs. W. J. Gresson. The Club was started about a year and a half ago by several youths, who had just left school, desiring to play football and finding no room for their abilities in teams already organised they banded together and applied for admission to the then newly-formed Hongkong Football

League. The newly-formed Club did not meet with much success in their first venture only winning two matches during the season, but their enthusiasm was not damped by this, and on Empire Day they held sports on the Race Course which were well patronised, and this event is now looked on as likely to be an annual fixture. When the water pole season arrived a team of "boys" was entered for the league, and finished fifth from the top with nine teams entered, which was a very croditable performance for their first season. At the commencement of the present sporting season attempts were made to secure a ground useful 58, Young 44, Eliborough 24 and from the Government, but, owing to the shortage of sites available for this purpose, their applica-Beasley and the Rev. Maundrell opened the | tion met with little encouragement. Just as second innings of the United Services, and this | things were looking black for the prosperity of partnership was productive of 83 runs, the of the Club, however, their president, the Hon. former batsman's score being 49, and the latter's Mr. W. J. Gresson, placed a site in Leighton Road at their disposal, and since then no The former contributed the good score of effort has been spared in getting the place into a fit condition for playing and practising the various games in which they intend taking

At the opening coromony yesterday Mr. A. H. Carroll in asking Mrs. Gresson to open the Club-house briefly outlined the history of the

Hon. Mr. Gresson in replying thanked the chairman for his good wishes, and said that he was very pleased indeed to have been able to do what he had to encourage the B.O.C. In the course of his remarks he advised the members to do what ever they had to do thoroughly, pointing out that in sport, as in business, the greatest effort was required to reach the top rung of the ladder. Mrs. Gresson having declared the Club-house and ground open races were taken part in and the results were: 75 Yards Three-legged Race.-Messrs.

Carroll and Carvalho. 50 Yards Pony Race.—Messrs. A. Ellis and

I. Goldenberg. 50 Yards Ladies' Baco.-Miss A. Leo, 1; Miss

M. Goldenberg, 2. 50 Yards Girls' Race.-Miss A. Danenberg 1; Misses D. Green and C. Whiel (dead heat), 2 Ladies' Nomination Race. Conditions :- The ladies to line up on one side, run a distance of 50 yards, and take off the gent's coat. Gent then will put on collar, the nomin then run to winning post. First one i

nestest how to win. This was the event of the afternoon and

responsible for a large number of entries. Mr. A. H. Carroll nominated by Mrs. W. J Gresson, 1; Mr. H. Goldenberg, nominated by Miss A. Lee, 2.

75 Yards Boys' Race.—Master C. Leong, 1; Master N. Sternberg 2. 50 Yards Hopping Race,-Mr. J. E. Chun-

yut, 1: Mr. I. Goldenberg, 2. At the conclusion of the sports Mrs, W. J. Gresson presented the prizes to the successful competitors, and Mr. A. Ellis, on behalf of the Club, presented her with a bonquet.

The proceedings terminated with cheers and "tigers" to Mrs. Gresson, the ladies, the president and the B.O.C.

THE JEW IN MODERN COMMERCE.

GERMAN PROFESSOR'S "SCIENTIFIC"

Dr. Werner Sombart, Professor of National Economy at the Commercial University of Berlin, inaugurated recently a series of lectures on "The Importance of Jews for Modern Economic Life." He stated that he has studied the subject scientifically, and that he intends to treat it absolutely impartially.

In the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries. he said, the centre of economic activity removed from Southern to Northern Europe, and simultaneously the Jews, expelled from Italy, Spain, and Portugal, wandered to Holland and England. The sudden economic rise of Holland, Dr. Sombart asserts, was due exclusively to the settlement in the country of rich Jewish merchants, who had a monopoly of trade in articles of luxury and in colonial products, and who dealt in articles which revolutionised modern economic life-cotton, indigo, calico, &c,-and finally owned the American silver mines,

The Jews, continued Dr. Sombart, were the pioneers of colonisation. The expedition of Columbus, for example, was financed by them. a large percentage of the crews of his vessels were Jews, Jews were very largely interested in the East India Company, and a Jew as packman accompanied the first Colonists into the interior of South and North America.

The Jews, he added were largely instrumental in the establishment of the material basis on which the modern State rests, for made modern Armies economically possible. All the purveyors to Armies in the Sixteenth, Seventeeuth, and Eighteenth Centuries were Jews, and Jews created, as furnishers of the money, the present system of State loans. The Jews have developed the spirit of capitalism, and thus have been the most important factor in widening the capabilities of industry, and they are the fathers of Free Trade and free competition.

In subsequent lectures Dr. Sombart will discuss the question as to how it happens that such a small number of people has had such an enormous influence on the economic life of

#### SHIPPING NOTES.

steamship lines with which they girdle the earth Yusen Kaisha makes the interesting announce-European service is to be completely remodelled. The majority of the older steamers will be Fishguard as a port of call. withdrawn, and six powerful new twin-screw vessels, each of 8,500 tons gross register, instead of monthly as at present. The speed Royal Belgo-Argentine Company bought halfaccording to requirements.

that progress may be now expected in those man Transatiantic companies have started are those connected with the Danish steamer Princess Marie and the British steamers Knight Commander and Hip Sang and also the Oldhamia and St. Kilda. The claim for the Princess Marie amounts to £97,960, which includes £79,448 as the value of the steamer At the beginning of March, 1908, the Libau Prize Court condemned the ship and cargo on the basis that more than 50 per cent. (seven-tenths) of the weight of the cargo consisted of articles considered to be contraband of war. Early in April last the Supreme Prize Court reversed the decision of the Libau Prize Court with regard to the steamer and decided that the owners should be recompensed for the loss. The Court also reversed the decision of the Libau Court concerning the cargo and decided that the pirt consisting of contraband of war (detailed in the judgment) should be condemned, but that the owners of the innocent cargo should be recompensed. The case has to go back to the Libau Court for the assessment of amounts.

In the case of the Knight Commander it appears that the Supreme Court decided against the owners of the steamer and against the earge. as more than 50 per cent, was considered to be contraband. A case is to be argued to endeavour to obtain compensation for the part of the cargo thich was considered innocent. This case will possful there it will pass to the Supreme imints, returns it to the Libau Court barment. The date of the hearing of the before the Libau Prize Court has not yet

Underwriters interested in the Hip Sang and also the Oldhamia and St. Kilda are referred to Sir Edward Grey's replies to questions in the House of Commons on February 22, July 8, and September 21 last. The Russian Government informed his Majesty's Ambassador at St. Petersburg in May that the evidence of an important witness on their behalf at Vladivostok was still outstanding, but that the case of the Hip Sang was otherwise completed for hearing by the Supreme Prize Court. His Majesty's Government had repeatedly pressed that the hearing should be accelerated. Except in cortain unimportant details affecting cargo the Supreme Court practically upheld the finding of the lower Court, which condemned both Oldhamia and her cargo, while leave had been granted to the appellants by the Supreme Prize Court to recover losses incurred by the detent on of the St. Kilda and her cargo. In the majority of the cargo claims the Supreme Court upheld the finding of the lower Court. Sir E. Grey explained that both these cases involved questions of principle, which would be carefully considered when the full terms of the findings were re-

It is announced that the steamers of the Orient Steam Navigation Company will after February cease to call at Plymouth on the out. ward veyage from London to the Australian colonies. The change is understood to be rendered necessary by the new mail contract with the Australian Government under which the service is expedited.

The floating dock to be stationed at Portsmouth, for which the contract has beensecured by Messrs. Cammell, Laird, and Co., will be 700ft, broad, and will have a lifting capacity of about 40,000 tons. It will be able to accommodate a vessel up to 42tt. draught. The dock is to be delivered in 18 months from the date of contract. It is understood that Messrs. Swan, Richardson, and Co., of Newcastle-on-Tyne, are to build a similar dock for the Medway.

Captain John Pritchard, commander of the Mauretania and Commodore since January last of the Cunard fleet, has tendered his resignation, but as yet no date has been fixed for his retirement. Captain Pritchard started his career 5! years ago, at the age of 13, as a boy cook on board a sailing vessel at 12s a month. Having gained his master's certificate he saved sufficient to become part owner of an eight hundred ton sailing brig, of which he was master, and in which he made many voyages, to apprehend any.

including one scross the Atlantic. Thirty-five vears ago he joined the Canard Company as - Our ambitious allies in Japan (remarks a junior officer and for the past 15 years he has London contemporary) are not content that the Leen a master. The Mauretania was the third Cunard liner he took over on completion by the shall loiter in the race. Accordingly the Nippon | builders. As captain of the Caronia he two years ago formally opened the Ambrose Channe ment that, commencing with the New Year, its at New York, and it was the Mauretania which inaugurated the present Cunard service with

A very lively commercial struggle is going substituted. The fine modern vessels have on between Hamburg and Antwerp, chiefly for already performed a voyage or two during the trade with the Argentine Republic. These this year as extra vessels, and have become two great ports of Northern Europe have always argument, because she, like the widow of the exceedingly popular with passengers and ship- been more or less rivals, but of late years the pers. Their accommodation is of a character in great German Transatlantic liners have given keeping with the over-increasing demands of Hamburg the advantage. King Leopold was the ocean voyager, while the victualling is of always anxious that the Belgians should turn the highest class. A further new departure will | their attention to the overseas trade, and estabbe a call at Marseilles every fourteen days, lish a mercantile marine. Quite recently the will be increased, and the voyage from London a-dozen vessels of a German shipbuilding comto Kobe reduced to forty-five days as against | pany, at the head of which is Prince von forty-seven days as formerly, and this notwith- Hohenlohe-Ehringen, but the German shipping standing the call at Marseilles. Some of the companies took alarm, and, it is said, perolder vessels withdrawn from the regular suaded the Emperor to use his influence with service will be utilised as extra steamers, the Hohenlohe company to prevent the sale. At any rate, the Belgian company has been informed that the ships in question have been sold To the satisfaction felt in London with the to German shipowners, and consequently they Ikhona awards, says the Marine Insurance have claimed a hundred and fifty thousand Correspondent of the Times, is added the hope | pounds as damages. Meanwhile, the great Gerother cases which are at various stages, sum- tariff war against the development of a Belgian marized below, of settlement. The principal mercantile marine, and as the Belgians do not claims with which the market is now concerned intent to submit without a struggle, there should be a fine opportunity for our shipbuilders to supply Antwerp with the vessels which it is not allowed to buy in Germany. The Argentine pressing, will she remain overnight in the city. trade is of the highest value to the Continent of Europe, but at present Hamburg has almost the monopoly of tt.

The announcement that the Cunard Company

has sold the Etruria recalls an interesting period in the history of Atlantic navigation. This vessel and her sister ship the Umbria were built in 1884, and ranked as the fastest and finest of the company's liners for several years. It was their fate to be overshadowed, in 1893, by the Campania and the Lucania, just as these last-mentioned steamships have in due course been eclipsed by the Lusitania and the Mauretania. But it is doubtful whether the Cunard Company ever had two more remarkable boats than the Etrur a and the Umbria. The company has put on record its own opinion of these boats in terms which were extraordinarily complimentary to the builders, Messrs. John Elder and Co. "Year in and year out," the company said, "they have made their passages with undeviating regularity, and have enjoyed the most perfect health. No ships ever gave their owners less uneasiness than these two, and none have done such an extraordinary quantity of good work. They are monuments that cannot lie, to the skill of the design and tions of a graphic character must be solved thato go before the Libau Prize Court, and if the faithfulness of the labour that went to their accomplishment." It is on record that h decides the action, and, if in favour the Etruria's fastest passage westward was days 20 hours 55min, and her fastest eastward passage 6 days 37min. Her highest day's run on the westward trip was 509 knots, and on the eastward, 485 knots. Her speed was officially not down at 19.6 knots, but she has done the eastward run at an average throughout the passage of 20 knots. Her sister ship, the Umbria, is pretty much on a level with the Etruria in the matter of speed. It does appear to be certain, as has been stated, that the Etruria will be broken up. There ought to be good deal of work in her yet. Students of coincidence will note the fact that the Umbria oses her sister ship within a few weeks of the severance of the Lucania from the Campania.

BRITISH INDIAMS IN SIAM.

INDIAN VIEW OF THE TREATY.

A correspondent writes to the Statesman: new order of things has arisen in Siam under the new Anglo-Siamese Treaty signed this year, in which British Indians have a substantial and a sentimental interest: The substantial interest conisists in the effect of the Treaty upon the business interests of the Indian communities settled in Siam, and that effect is unquestionably beneficial. All British subjects obtain legal recognition of rights in property, residence, and travel, which to Indian residents and traders will be certainly of solid value. People of many nationalities find home in the hospitable kingdom of the yellow. robe, and, amongst them the Indians and Burmans are not the least important in numbers and wealth.

But the point that has been strongly criticised (by English critics) as the one blot on the treaty is the slight distinction made between Asiatic and non-Asiatic British subjects. point, stated in briefest form, amounts to this, that Siamese courts dealing with non-Asiatic British subjects will have an Adviser who will act as a judge; whereas, when dealing with Asiatic subjects, the Adviser will act as an advisor only. Now, for all practial purposes this will be a distinction without a difference. It is impossible to imagine Siamese judges (who may be members of the English Bar), acting unjustly in defiance of the opinion of their British Advisor, whether the latter have the determining voice or not. Siamese judges do not act in that way. No doubt the framers of the Treaty felt, themselves obliged, for some reason or other, to adopt the distinction in question. It is a pity that even the appearance of a distinction was not avoided. But the point may be safely regarded as more sentimental than practical. . . There need be no doubt that British interests were well looked after, and that there was no lack of care in this respect. The assurances lately given in the House of Commons by members of the Government, taken together with the text of the Treaty, fully confirm this belief, and indicate that the principle of Civis Britannicus sum has been maintained in spirit if not in letter. British-Indian subjects may feel fairly well satisfied with the way in which their interests South coast of China between | Same as No. 1. have been safeguarded. No practical difficulty seems to have arisen as yet, and there is no need

MR. HARRIMAN'S FORTUNE.

· WIDOW'S GENEROSITY.

"One reason why American millionaires are usually so popular," says one of the leading New York organs of public opinion, " is because they give bounteously during their lifetime to the cause of education, religion, and philanthropy, and after their death their widows frequently devote themselves to the public walfare by constituting themselves stewards of their husbands' possessions, and dispensing them mainly for the benefit of the people.

The case of Mrs. Harriman, the widow of the Railway King, is cited in support of this late Russell Sage, has now opened an office New York and called counsellors to her side to discuss plant for the control of her vast property-and to see incidentally that the money spent in philanthropy is well spent,

This determination of America's richest woman is applauded universally as developing 'a real American ideal," and a last memorial to her famous husband. Mrs. Harriman on the 8th ult, spent her first day as a New York business woman, charged with the management of the vast estate of the late financier. I woman of the present generation has ever taken over the control of such large and complex affairs, for no other man of this generation burdened himself so extensively in the active development of varied interests as did N Harriman.

Three or four days every week Mrs. Harriman will be at her desk in a private office in New York, which she leased last October. "The estate of E. H. Harriman," is the sign that appears on the directory board of the building. On office days Mrs. Harriman will leave her home at Arden and travel by a train that reaches New York between 10.30 and eleven o'clock.

It is understood that the widow of the railwa king will devote the first three or four days o the week to business, in order that she may enjoy the week-end at home, and that only on rare occasions, when her business affairs provi

SIAM'S OLDEST TREATY

In Kay Larsen's de Dansk-Ostindiske Kooniers Historie (Trankebar)" mention is made, says the Bangkok Times, of a Treaty between Denmark and Siam in the reign Christian IV. No record of such a treaty existed in Siam, and in the work of other foreign writers no mention is made, that Denmark played at that time, with regard to trade transactions an important part in Siam. The statements made in Larson's book were so definite, however, that the Government addressed a letter to the Keeper of the Archives in Copenhagen, and owing to the active assistance of Etatsraad Andersen, the Consul-General for Siam there, the National Library has now received photographs of the papers to which reference has been made. They may be described as a licence to trade without let and hindrance and a confirmation of the friendship existing between Siam and Denmark. The licence itself is dated from Tenaserim in the "Pi Raka trini Sok." which would fix the date in the Chula era 983 (1621), which is the same as given by Larsen. It is conveyed in a letter from the Governor-General of Tenaserim, and letters of his subordinates, to the Government of Denmark, giving licence to trade for a vessel which had just arrived. The gist of the papers admits of no doubt, but some quesbefore the document can be published in a satisfactory way. The "treaty" it may be an official intercourse between Siam and foreign nations. A Portuguese treaty has not yet been traced. The Dutch treaties were made at a later date, although Siamese ambassadors visited Holland already in 1008.

In transmitting these papers together with the photographic plates to the National Library Consul-General Anderson courteously wrote: "I would appreciate very much, if the Vaj rañaña National Library would kindly accept the papers as a gift in token of the vivid interest I take in everything having reference to the relations of Siam with my own country."

The Library has thus acquired an exceedingly valuable and interesting historical document.

THE DEFENCES OF VLADIVOSTOCK.

It is rumoured in St. Petersburg that M. Kokovizoff has brought back a very gloomy report of the state of affairs in several departments as the result of his recent visit of inspection to Vladivostock. Thus, he found that the Ministry of Marine asks for the same grant of money as it received for use at Vladivostock before the war with Japan, although it has no Navy to maintain at that naval base now. At the same time, all the official and Government buildings at Vladivostook are falling rapidly into decay, although sums of money are granted every year for their unkeep. Every Government department is engaged in a lawsuit with the other epartments, and the Town Council is at loggerheads with every Government official. There is one exception to the fault that has

been found by the Minister of Finance. Strange to say, M. Kokovtzoff finds no fault with the work that has been done by the Ministry of War, although he acknowledges that large sums of money are required still for fortifying Vladivostock, and he has given an assurance that if the money is granted by the Government all the work that has to be done shall be done by Russian troops, and that if the troops now in the Far East are not enough in numbers, then other troops shall bedrafted to Vladivostock.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report: -On the 3rd at 12.5 p.m.-The barometer has rison considerably over S. Japan and the Loochoos, and a moderate rise has taken place also over Luzon.

Pressure is giving way again over China. It is highest over S. China and the Eastern Sea. The depression is still shown over the Pacific to the N.E. of Japan. The monsoon will moderate in the Formosa

Channel, but continue to blow strongly over the China Sea. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending about the 13th inst. at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon

to-day is as follows:--N.E. and E. Hongkong & Neighbourhood ( winds,

Same as No. 1. Formosa Channel Hongkong and Lamocks. South coast of China between [ Same as No. 1. Hongkong and Hainan ...

TARIFF REFORM POLICY. IMPORTANT STATEMENT.

Following is an extract from an article in the Birmingham Daily Post to which allusion was made in a Renter's telegram last month :-We think it desirable that we should state as plainly as possible the broad outlines of the scheme which we believe will be adopted by the Cabinet should the Unionist

party be returned to power next month.

"It is proposed to establish a general tariff, placing duties on practically all-goods which are not deemed to be raw material, with the object first of raising revenue : secondly, of giving the turn of the market to the home producer when in competition with a foreign rival; thirdly, of making preferential agreements with the Colonies; fourthly, of securing better terms of entry into foreign countries which now exclude us by prohibitive duties; and finally, of giving such encouragement to home producers that the evils of unemployment will be substantially

mitigated. "The tariff is to be of the simplest possible form, and is not to be protective in the sense in which that word is understood in Germany or the United States. There is no intention, we believe, of having multifarious rates which throw open the door for Parliamentary intrigue or lobbying. There will be three rates of duty only, giving an average of about 10 per cent The plan which we believe to be at presen favoured is to allow raw materials to come free, to place a duty of 5 per cent, on goods or which little labour has been spent, 10 per cent on goods more nearly approaching the finished state, and 15 per cent. on completely manufactured articles.

"There will be no variations from this scal unless some very exceptional case can be proved. Thus the work of classification will be greatly simplified. Each article will almost naturally Mr. George Alexander says: "An old Scotch fall into its proper class, and even when there doubt no great difficulty can arise.

from a foreign country. The chief object of this duty, of course, is to make it possible to give a valuable preference to the Colonies-Canada and Australia in particular. Nr. Chamberlain proposed to remit the whole of the duty of this arrangement being modified by asking the Colonies to agree to a substantial preference which will not free them from the whole of the duty. The chief sim of any modification would, of course, be to increase the revenue, and at the same time to lend some encouragement to wheat-growing at home. Flour will have to pay a higher duty, in consideration of the fact that it has had labour spent upon it, and to the very desirable end of promoting the grinding of to be undertaken by the Freemasons of the corn in this country. .... Such important raw materials as cotton and wool will, of course, come in free.

"A tariff framed on the basis indicated above is calculated to produce a revenue of 16 to 20 millions, and, at the same time, to give immense impulse to home trade and home employment. If the Unionist party are returned to nower next January, every possible effort will be made to embody the new duties in the Budget

HALLEY'S CONET.

M. Camillo Flammarion, the eminent Fren astronomer, declares that the tail of the Halley comet may strike the earth next May. Writing to the New York Herald (Paris edition), Flammarion discusses the possibility of a worldwide catastrophe as the consequence of this

"This comet," says M. Flammarion, "whose from Sentember Fwas permitted to witapproaching the earth with great speed. first it was 326,000,000 miles distant, but now it is 140,000,000 miles away, having travelled the intervening distance in seventy-six days.

"This speed will be accelerated as the comet advances toward the sun. At present it is rushing simultaneously toward the earth. but from the middle of December, while persisting in its course toward the sun, it will move away from our planet, only to retuen towards it later.

"By April 20 the comet should be within 56,000,000 miles of the snn... Until this t me it will appear as a morning star visible in the east at sunrise; after this date it will become an evening star, visible after sunset

COMING SURPRISE. "It is probable that the appearance of the comet will then be very striking, as it was in the spring of 1066 and again in 1456, but this time there may be a surprise in store for us. "According to the calculation of several astronomers, it is possible that the comet will pass before the sun on May 18, when its head

will be 16,145,000 miles from us "Inasmuch as the tails of comets frequently extend from twenty to thirty-five millions of miles and more, this enormous appendix could thus envelope us in a few hears

M. Flammarion frankly declares that he cannot foretell the result of such a situation. If the oxygen in the atmosphere were to combine with the hydrogen of the comet's tail the inhabitants of the earth would die from suffocation, If, on the contrary, there were a diminution

of nitrogen, an unexpected sensation of physical activity would be experienced by every one and the human race would perish in a paroxyem of joy and delirium, probably delighted at its fate. "As yet," continues M. Flammarion, "it is impossible to ascertain the dominant elements

of the comet's tail. "Although the tails of comets are immense, they are so light and rarefled that our terrestial atmosphere is like lead in comparision. They could be likened to a fog traversed by an engine at full speed.

"The earth has already passed through a comet's tail in 1819 and in 1861 without being any the worse for the experience."

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The W.Y.K. str. Inaba Maru (European Line) left Singapore on the 31st ultimo, and is

expected here on the 6th instant. The Shire Line str. Carnarvonshire left Singapore for Hongkong on the 2nd instant, and man be expected here on or about the 9th

The I.G.M. str. Prinz Eitel Friedrich, carry. ing the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 15th ultimo, left Colombo on the 2nd instant a.m., and may be expected here on or The P. & O. str. Nuanza is expected to arrive

The C.P.R. str. Empress of China Brived at Kobe at 9 a.m. on the 2nd inst., and left again at noon same day for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 4 p.m. to-morrow. The I.G.M. str. Goeben, which left here on

at Penang on the 5th instant, at noon.

the 29th ultimo at noon, arrived at Singapore on the 2nd instant, at 9 a.m. The I.G.M. str. Derflinger, which left here

on the 31st ult. at 9 n.m., arrived at Shanghai on the 3rd inst. at 6 a.m.

NOTES AND NEWS.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL. The authorities controlling football in the

United States are seemingly about to take decisive action. The Universities of: Georgetown and Virginia have already prohibited the game so far as they are concerned, and the Commissioners of the district of Columbia are contemplating a similar step. British footballers will be chiefly interested to know whether the Americans, in place of their own game, will adopt Rugby or Association rules, or both, ANCIENT AND MODERN.

A contemporary relates a bank cashier's experiences with a lady who presented her husband's cheque for payment, and on being requested to endorse it brought it back to the counter with the legend, "Your loving wife, Edith." This recalls, quoting from memory, the Epectator's translation of a distich of Enhius of an absent-minded lover: +-

"He writ to his father. Concluding with the line. Dearest Newig, I am, ever thine." CARUSO'S ROMANCE.

Caruso, the tenor of the golden voice, is about to marry again. One day in Milan he saw a Sicilian girl, and fell in love with her. She is nineteen years of age, and extremely good looking. Not long ago, when Caruso was in Berlin, the girl and her father made a flying trip to the Prussian capital in order to see him there. Some of Caruso's musical friends regard the engagement with consternation, as the tenor has repeatedly declared of late that he is sick of the operatio and concert stages, and wishes to retire. His one ambition now is to return to his native land and lead the life of a country gentleman.

MR. GEORGE ALEXANDER'S NUESE.

Writing in the "Pelion Christmas Annual," nurse in my family was much shocked when I ran away from home and became an actor, "Corn, according to present views, is to be | thinking that the stage and everything conliable to a duty of 2s. a quarter when coming | nected with it was tinged with fire and brimstone. For many years she looked upon me as a lost soul. On meeting her a little while ago she still adhered to her opinion that it was 'nn awful way to earn a living, and then, with a smile, she added this little homily: 'But I to the Colonies. There is, however, a possibility | suppose you'll soon have made enough money out of it to retire into respectable private

> SOLOMON'S TEMPLE REDIVIVUS. Persistent rumours are affoat, and have been for several months, of a plan to robuild the Temple of Solomon at Jerusalem, and inquiries are continually reaching the Holy City on the same subject. It is said, observes the Graphic, the suggestion comes from Boston; that it is world; and that a company is being incorporated to take the matter in hand. Along with this it is known that an English Masonic lodge, whose membership includes well-known names. in high political circles, proposes to fit up a lodge-room, furnished and decorated on Orien-

tal style, in Jerusalem, and a Jerusalem firm

has been approached as to the furnishing. FORTUNE FOUND IN A CUPBOARD. A strange story of hidden treasure was told by the relieving officer at the meeting of the Hampstead Guardians last month. Mr. Peter Hastie, of Parkhill-road, Haverstock Hill, died on November 22, at the age of eighty-one, and after his death valuables and money were discovered in all sorts of strange places in his house. Fifty spade guiness were found in an old bag and £12,000 in Consol scrip was discovered in the corner of a cupboard. The guardians were recently asked to take charge of Mr. Hastio, and send him to an asylum, but the doctors who were called in differed about the state of his mind, and the guardians thereupon declined to act. The chairman explained that Mr. Hastie was

died about a month ago, and both were formerly

in the corn trade. MR. LLOYD GEORGE IN TEARS. The Chancellor wept during a speech at Carnaryon on the afternoon of the 9th inst.not, it should be explained, says a London paper, for the unfortunate people who have to pay his confiscatory Budget taxes, but because his emotional compatriots cheered him so much. Mr. Lloyd George, who sits for Carnarvon Burghs, was telling of the invitation he had received to contest Cardiff. "After all." said, "I would rather remain here." At this there was a great outburst of cheering. Some one called out, "Three cheers for Lloyd George!" and there was another outburst. Then Mr. Lloyd George began again. "I have an attachment for the burghs-" he said, and faltered. There was a pause, and he began to them. As England expected every man to do wave his hands feebly. "It is greater than I can say," he began again. Then, to the amazement of his audience, he sat down abruptly and began to cry. This ended the wr, but to be gentlemen in times of peace. meeting.

UNPLEASANT ASSOCIATIONS. So the notorious Impasse Ronsin is, in name, at any rate, to pass peacefully away, and give place, probably, to a meek Rue de --- or Avenue — which coming generations will not connect with the Steinheil affair. More than one instance could be recalled of a street in this country washing its hands, as it were, of a particularly ghastly crime in this fashion. Occasionally the identity of a house is hidden in the same way. Lovers of the gruesome, for instance, would search in vain for the number of a house at which a remarkable crime occurred not long ago in London. They would find instead a high-sounding name. When Palmer, the poisoner, had been satisfactorily hanged, the people of Rugely, which he had honoured as the scene of his operations, sent a deputation-to Lord Palmerston to ask for permission to change the name of their town. 'Certainly, certainly," said Lord Palmerston, "and I'll suggest a new name myself. Call it Palmerstown.

TIME'S TYBANNY.

A somewhat educated gentleman, who by

some strange error of destiny had been wafted into the dock at Clerkenwell Police Court, made a very just and proper appeal. Counsel had referred to an Act of George III., whereupon years old?" He had heard, he said, that "you legally what be had done. can be hanged for theft under these old Acts. The magistrate came to his rescue, mentioning that there was a later Act passed I want to be tried up to dite. Lie may desfroy the remainder. ambition was natural in a child of a modern age. We all want to be to date. It is an insult even according to the inadequate intelligence of allowed to influence our judges and magistrates? Is there no Parliament to repeal them all, and make some nice new ones? Such thoughts we can fancy passing through the head of a somewhat educated gentleman. They are the thoughts which, with reference to morals and society, are passing through the heads of thousands of the somewhat sducated. Down

with the past! What has it o do with our

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A TYPICAL "WILDER" SPEECH.

Dr. Wilder, the American Consul at Shanghai gave one of his humorous speeches which we in Hongkong have learned to appreciate on the occasion of the sailors and marines from the U.S. Squadron in port being entertained by the members of the American Women's Club Amid laughter, Dr. Wilder told of Admiral Sebree's eloquence, which he declared was so great that when he annha from the bridge the stormy petrels stopped their hoverings about the smokestacks and the flying fish looked up and listened to what he had to say. Dr. Wilder, when the langhter had subsided, told his audience that when the Admissa hard his hand in a roaring tempest, the waves shrank back in their places, the porpoises shook their tails and the wholes clunk off. Falling into a was a great friend of the combine habits. He serious vein the combined out the rare opthe world, and the value of meeting with other nations. He said that in the Shanghai unicipal Council efficiency of government and honesty in finance would be found. Shanghai was unique, for here would be found British, who prodominated. Germans, French, Japanese and Chinese. The Chinese could teach the foreigners lessons, for with them all was not sordidness: idealism still existed to a great extent. Reference was then made to various portions of the United States, and Dr Wilder told the men to look upon the ladies that they found around them that day as mothers and sisters. He also hoped that they would find in the American men of Shanghai those whom they would be able to look u, to as they would to their own fathers. He reminded them that wherever they were, whether in Shanghai or elsowhere, the silken protection of the United States flag was around

> (Applanse.) SHOULD THE STATE CASH LOTTERY -TICKETS.

his duty, so the 8,000,000 people of the United

States believed that their men in the navy would

show themselves to be not only brave in times of

PECULIAR POSITION AN PHILIPPINES.

An interesting point of law is, says the able ews, about to be brought up in connection with a case against two Chinese for importation of lottery tickets. The question is whether the collector of onstoms can cash winhing lottery tickets and turn the money into the Treasury or whether he must destroy all the tickets received.

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Colonel Colton, however, did not forget the incident, and when he went to Washington to help prepare the tariff law for the Philippine the prisoner demanded indignantly, "Am I islands inserted therein a provision which left going to be tried under an Act hundreds of open the door to the collector of customs to do

This provision was that on the seizure of lottery tickets they and their proceeds should be. forfeited by due process of law. The words seventy years ago: But the prisoner was "and their proceeds" are now interpreted to not satisfied - we should think not, indeed! mean that the collector of customs may cash in "Te that the yery latest?" he inquired the winning tickets should any be seized and

When Colonel Colton cashed in the others a protest was raised that the ticketfor a big prize to our modern ty to be tried by George III., or said to have been among the number confiscated was cashed, but the proceeds not turned into the seventy years ago. Why are trese old Acts treasury. Investigation failed to show the truth of this claim. The tickets were cashed through the secret service department of the customs.

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NOTICE.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hongkong, China and Japan. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910. NOTICE.

TATE have This Day Authorized Mr. G BINDER to Sign our Firm. FERD, BORNEMANN & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910. [112 NOTICE.

TATE have Authorized Mr. HAKON SCHLUTER and Mr. WOLDEMAR WEDEKIND to Sign our Firm Progration.

REUTER BRÜCKELMANN & Co. Hongkong, Canton, 1 1st January, 1910. [113

#### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. AUGUST ZICKERMANN in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December. Messrs. GUSTAV ENGEL and HANS partners from To-day. WM. MEYERINK & Co.

1st January, 1910. THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND

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#### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. C. I KOCH in our Firm CEASED on his death, on the 12th of September last. MR. C. ROGGE having retired from our Firm, his Interest and Responsibility Ceased

on the Same Date. MR. A. W. SNOWMAN having taken over the Business with all assets and liabilities, will continue same under the Same Style as from above Date.

LAMKE & ROGGE. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

#### NOTICE.

FIHE Interest and Responsibility of the 1. Undersigned in the Firm of MACEWEN. FRICKEL & Co., CEASED on 31st day of October, 1909.

A. FINDLAY SMITH. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

In reference to the above, I have taken over the interest, goodwill, debts and liabilities of MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., from 31st day of October, 1909.

GEO. LEO. DUNCAN. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

#### NOTICE.

...... WAUDOLPH IVI VOLLBRECHT is admitted a Partner in our Firm from This Date. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

#### NOTICE.

MR. ERNST VOLLBRECHT, having Left our Employ, CEASES to Sign per Procuration from This Date.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910.

#### NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed than on and after the 3rd day of January, 1910, the Business known as YAU KEE (present owner Kwok CHI), of No. 30, Lyndhurst Terrace, together with the goodwill, will be taken over by Hor Hing Cheung, who will not be Responsible for any Debts or Loans of money contracted in connection with the said Business prior to that Date.

HOP HING CHEUNG. Hongkong, 31st December, 1909.

#### NOTICE.

TYOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership heretefore subsisting between us, the Undersigned A. W. PURNELL and C. S. PAGET, carrying on the Business of Architects and Civil Engineers at Canton in the Empire of China under the Style or Firm of Puhnsid and Pager, will on the 31st (thirtyfirst) day of December, 1909 (one thousand nine hundred and nine), be Dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to or owing by the late Firm will be received and paid by the Undersigned C. S. PAGET, by whom the Business will in future be carried on.

Dated this 28th day of December, 1909. ARTHUR WILLIAM PURNELL 1576] CHARLES SOUDERS PAGET.

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That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered-

1. By inserting therein immediately after paragraph 4 of Clause VIII. a new paragraph ns follows:---

5. Whenever the Capital of the Company is divided into several Classes of Shares all or any of the rights and privileges attached to any Class may be modified altered sub-divided re-arranged or dealt with by Special Resolution of the Company passed pursuant to an Agreement in writing made between the Company and some member of the Class purporting to contract on behalf of the members of the Class provided such agreement shall before the Special Resolution is passed be ratified by Extraordinary Resolution passed at a separate Meeting of the Class or by writing under the hand of the holders of at least two-thirds of the Shares of the Class and it shall be no objection to any such Agreement that it provides for a reduction of Capital otherwise than in accordance with the legal rights of the holders of shares of the Class or for the payment of a dividend or bonus otherwise than in accordance with the rights of the Holders of the shares of the Class or for the allotment of shares credited as fully or partly paid up in satisfaction or part sutisfaction of such dividend or bonus and for the purposes of this Clause a Resolution shall be an Extraordinary Resolution when it has been passed by a majority or not less than two-thirds of such members of the Class entitled to vote as are present in person or by proxy at a separate General Meeting of the Class of which Notice specifying the intention to propose the Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution has been duly given and so that the quorum of any such Meeting shall be three members at least of the Class and so that the Meeting shall be called in accordance

with the provisions hereof. 2. By inserting immediately after paragraph 7 of Clause XVI. a new paragraph as follows :--8. Any General Meeting declaring

Dividend may direct payment of such Dividend wholly or in part by the distribution of specific assets and in particular of paid up shares Debentures or Debenture stock of the Company or of any other Company or in any one or more of such ways and the General Managers shall give effect to such direction and where any difficulty arises in regard to the distribution they may settle the same as they think expedient and in particular may issue fractional Certificates and may fix the value for distribution of and may determine that cash payments shall be made to any members upon the footing of the value so fixed in order to adjust the rights of all parties and may vest any such specific assets in Trustees upon such trusts for the persons entitled to the Dividend as may seem expedient to the General Managers. Where requisite a proper contract shall be filed in accordance with Section 7 of the Companies' Act, 1900, and the General Managers may appoint any person to sign such contract on behalf of the persons entitled to the Dividend and

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#### THE SUEZ CANAL'S FUTURE.

For so many years the Suez Canal has been the important link in the chain of communication between European ports and the Far East and South that the public has somewhat forgotton (says Benedict Ginsburg in (Manchester Guardian) the fierce rivalries and bitter struggles which surrounded its inception. Its securities, too, have become so respected in the international markets—being looked on as one of the highest and most progressive securities

in the market that people generally may be rather surprised to fearn that its rights and privileges are limited in time. M. Ferdinand de Lesseps, the great French engineer, obtained his first concession for the construction of the Canal across the Isthmus of Suez from Said Pasha of Egypt on the 30th November, 1854. On the 5th January 1895, second concession was obtained, and in December, 1858, the Suez Canal Company was registered in Paris with a capital of £8,000,000 sterling in 400,000 shares of £20 each. Of these 400,000

shares 176.602 were subscribed for by the Khedive. and it may be remarked in passing that it was these shares (whose coupons for many years had been disposed of by the then ruler of Egypt) which were purchased by the late Lord Beaconsfield for the account of England—a purchase which has proved so immensely remunerative an investment. For not only have we made a very large monetary profit out of the transaction, but we have as a nation obtained a large share of the control of the Canal. This is, or course, important to us in view of the immense preponderance of British tonnage using the Canal. But at the same time—in view of the ridicule which we threw apon the project in the early days and the opposition which we put for-

ward to resist M. de Lesseps throughout his work-our position is good beyond our desserts.

In spite of British opposition the Canal was opened for traffic on the 17th November, 1869. about ten years and a half after the cutting of the first sod. In the forty years which have elapsed since the actual opening of the Canal an enormous amount of work has been carried out in order to increase the facilities which it affords for shipping and to suit it for coping with the vastly increased dimensions of modern ships. During the first six years of its existence, for example, its depth was but 26ft. Jin. and its bottom width only 72ft. throughout its entire length. The Canal has not, of course, conveniences for the meeting of large ships throughout its entire length, but opportunity for meeting is offered at intervals by the provision of what are called "gares," where yessels can tie up while others pass them. At that time the gares were each about 1,100 yards long and were about 61 miles apart. By 1888 the depth had been increased by 20 inches, though this increased depth did not extend to so great width as before. Seven years later this depth was provided over a width of 108ft., and the curves were considerably improved. The introduction of the electric light at the same enabling time increased the capacity of the

Canal by ressels to navigate it at night.

We need not go into details as to the date at which the various improvements were carried out, but we may simply say that on the 1st January, 1908, a depth of 28 feet was reached, whilst not only have gares larger than those originally provided been constructed but the intervals between them are being reduced to about three miles instead of the original six A great deal of work is still in progress and under contemplation, it being the intention to deepen further the Canal, to increase the width to 128 feet, and still further to modify the enryes. All this work is being done out of the earnings of the undertaking, and they are obviously developments which not only improve its facilities for dealing with the present traffic but slag to tuerense fargely its permanent value. Yet the Suez Canal Company's interest in its own possessions is very limited, and at the present time its Board feel that they are in danger of spending money, which might be devoted either to the increase of dividend or to the repayment of capital, on the improvement of a property which may within not so very long a time be altogether taken from them. For the concession under which the Canal was originally constructed were not for all time. They indeed gave the Company only about a century in which to reap its reward for the skill and toresight and daring of M. de Lesseps and those who backed him with their capital. What confidence those who entered on such an undertake ing as this in the early' fifties must have had can hardly be appreciated by those who have regarded the Suez Canal pretty much as though it were provided by the hand of nature.

In Monchester indeed things are different. Many people remember the flerce opposition with which the progress of the Manchester Ship Canal Bills were contested in the Committeerooms of the House of Commons. They know how the landowners and the railways and every possible interest which could be marshalled against the promoters called out for their pound of flesh if their opposition was to be stopped. They will therefore have some idea of the position of the promoters of this far earlier waterway. And now, under the existing arrangements, the concession of the Suez Canal will expire on the 27th November, 1968, when in the absence of a Convention the whole properties will revert to the Egyptian Government. It is the object of the management of the Canal to enter into new arrangements with the Egyptian Government whereby their interests shall be prolonged for another halfcentury, so that they may have some security for the further expenditure which they propose to make. They are, in fact, very much in the position of a leaseholder on one of the great ducal estates in London. They have obtained the foundation of a property on very It is a Liquid Food in predigested form easy terms. By the expenditure of their own doing this, of course, they recognise that the Egyptian Government is entitled to a consider- in cold rooms, and hence have hurried over the able share of the profits of the undertaking. Son rite which should be a sacred one to all women; new Convention has been drafted. It contains and now seated at the dinner-table, they are eleven articles, the first of which provides that chilled to the bone. Two years ago this winter the concession is to be prolonged to the 31st I accompanied an English woman visiting in December, 20 8. The second explains that New York to a small dinner in a steam-heated during the period of the extension, in years house. In London I had never happened to when the net profits do not amount to one see her at dinner parties except in the winter, hundred million france, the Company is to take fifty million francs, and the Egyptian Government the surplus. Should the net earnings fall to fifty millions or less, the whole of the profits | dining-room was bioscomed forth into a handgo to the Company; whilst when, as is most probable, the revenues amount to over one hundred millions, the Company and the Ecyptian Government are each to take 50 per cent. This is a much better arrangement for the Government than that at present in force, as under the original statutes 15 per cent. was the amount payable to the Government, but the Government will not have to wait till 1969 to obtain substantial benefit from the new Convention. A sum of four million Egyptian pounds, that is, 103.694.000 francs, is to

ment will come in force, a share rising from 4

per cent. in the earlier year to 12 per cent. in the latter will be given to the Government beyond 15 per cent. originally provided. The Government is further to have three seats on the Board, and is to have the benefit of an expenditure of £90,000 of the Company's money to aid in the work of deepening the channel in Suez Road, on which it is now engaged.

These are the important heads of the suggest-

ed arrangement between the two important interests concerned, but it is by no means settled that this convention will go through. The Mahometan Press in Egypt is very much opposed to any arrangement for the prolongation of the concession. The Cairo correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung expresses his belief that England is thwarting the proposed arrangement in order to retain in her own hand the control of the Canal. This, of course, is entirely imaginary, but it is probable that if the concession be granted on the terms now under consideration the interest of the Egyptian Government in the existing Canal will be so great that it will be averse to the scheme for the making of a second and competitive canal, as has been proposed. On the other hand, the confirmation of the present Company in the possession of its property will put it in a position to afford every reasonable convenience to its customers. With England's interest in Egypt, with her financial stake in the Canal, and with the custom which her own ships bring to the waterway, it would be absurd to suppose that anything but the good of the Canal could. actuate her policy in the matter. At the present moment, however, the matter seems to be standing still.

#### ATTACK ON THE "OPEN WINDOW."

HEATED AMERICAN REPLY TO DR. ELIZABETH SLOAN CHESSER.

[HY MARY MORTIMER MAXWELL,]

(Author of "An Englishwoman in New York".) "Not enough open windows in England!" This is the statement recently made by an English medical woman. She complains that

open windows are not "fashionable" enough ; that the English people are sitting these December days in mirtight liouses, churches, theatres, railway trains; that nice little English boys and girls are horribly stupid at their lossons because the Windows are all shut in the During my visits to America, my conversa-

tions with Americans in England, and during long years' residence in England myself I have heard many complaints brought against the English, but I have never before heard them accused of being lacking in the desire-nye, the determination!—to have fresh air. Oh, the discomforts, the rheumstics, the chills down the spinal column, the numb hands and fingers, the chattering teeth, the blue lips and bluer cheeks and the red nose I suffer most continuously in the winter—all because my English friends are fresh-air flends! They have no regard for the fact that coming back from America, the land of steam heat and hot-air furnaces, my present condition of chilliness is

driving me into an early grave. "Windows hermetically sealed!" exclaims the medical lady. Where, oh, where, are these windows? Can she recommend an hotel or lodging-house where I can find them? Mind you, I don't want them done up with sealing-wax, so that I can't open them at all (for I always do have my bedroom window open all the live-long night, and I'm never afraid of "night air after I've once got comfortably to bed!), but I should like to find a home with windows that can be tightly shut to keep out the draughts and

RATTLING WINDOWS. Is there a window in London that doesn't rattle? Is there one which, even when closed with the brass fasteners, does not let in a hurricane that sweeps the drapories back and forth, strikes a sensitive spot in the back of my neck, and makes the grate fire almost a useless, extravagant affair? Why, there is enough fresh air coming down London's chimneys alone to keep the rugs all twirled up at the corners, scatter ashes about with wondrons swiftness, and

choke us with soot and germs! Why are after dinner speakers in England so slow-witted, dull, and listless? Why is there no on thus is sm at the English political meetings? Thus questions the medical lady. She says it is because there is not sufficient air in the public dining-rooms and halls, and that "vitiated sir and dead-alive speeches are associated inevitably together." My own experience is that afterdinner speaking is dull in England (and many dinners are dull as well), because the speakers and diners are chilled through with draughts and insufficient fire that they are unable to open their mouths wide enough to talk to the points; they are feeling so uncomfortable that they can't be bright and shining and sparkling.

HEAT AND WIT. Why is it that everybody agrees that the most witty and brilliant after-dinner speaking in the world is over in the United States, and that this brilliancy is most especially noticeable during times of blizzards? It is because people are feeling comfortable. The rising sparkle of their thoughts is not chilled and cut off in the middle by cold blasts from open windows at their backs, threatening lumbage, sciatica, and a three months' run of cold-in-the-head.

Why is it, I should like to know, that Englishwomen, who, during the months of May, June, July, August, and September, look absolutely fetching and dangerous in their low gowns, showing graceful necks, well-moulded, white arms, and such wonderful complexions, become absolutely different beings during the winter months? Observe the blueness of their lips, the awkwardness of their hands, the lack swing and "let-go-a-tiveness" to their bodies. Note the carelessness with which they have dressed the crookedness of belts, the occasional batton or hook all unfastened to their

bodices in the winter-time. There is nothing the matter with them. except that they are cold. They have dressed and I confess I had always considered her very plain and a bit stupid and utterly unattractive to men. But in that steam heated New York some woman, brilliant in conversation, and got three proposals of marriage in as many months.

I have been walking along the street wherein are situated my London apartments, and looking at the windows of all the houses in the neighbourhood. There is not a house that has not at least one window open in each of its rooms. Blinds are fluttering back and forth at the tops of the windows, or lace curtains shifting in and out at the bottoms. Within the houses, perishing maid-servants are sweeping, dusting, be paid in four equal annual instalments. washing dishes, with chattering teeth and hands beinning in December next year, whilst between that, because of lack of good, warm sirculation, are letting valuable china and bric-à-brac drop 1921 and 1968, when the 50 per cent, arrange-

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SHIPPING REPORTS. The Chinese str. Kwangtah reports : Mod. N. Westerly gale experienced. The Brit. str. Arratoon Apear reports : Mod. N.E. monscons, from Singapore to Julia Shoal,

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MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	TANGO MARU	Jap. str	A. Christiansen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 6th inst, at D'ight
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AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	YAWATA MARU	. Jap. str —		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	COBLENZ NIKKO MARU		M. Yaçı	MELCHERS & Co	On 17th Feb., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA YOKOHAMA AND KOBE			H. Raegener	Melchers & Co	About 8th inst.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ATSUTA MARU Nikko Maru	Jap. str —		Nippon Yusun Kaisha	On 19th inst., at Noon.
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SHANGHAI KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BRASILIA	Ger. str k. w.	Schwinghammer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LININ OBAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow. On 6th inst., at D'light
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"HAIYANG," Capt. A. E. Hodgins	SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHOW.	TUESDAY, 4th Jan., at 10 A.M.
"HAIMUN," Capt. Evans	{ swatow	WED'DAY, 5th Jan., at 10 A.M.
HAICHING " Capt. W. C. Passmore	SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHOW.	FRIDAY, 7th Jan.,

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Hougkong, 4th January, 1910.

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	SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.	
Destinations.	STEAMERS. TONS	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGA-	TANGO MARU Capt. A. Christiansen, 8,000	THURSDAY, 6th Ja
PORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	Capt. F. L. Sommer, 9,000	WED'DAY, 19th Ja at Daylight.
SALD	AKI MARU Capt. K. Sato 7,000	WED'DAY, 2nd Feb
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE (INABA MARU leaving Hongkong 8th Jan., due Kobe 13th Jan., connects)	S AWA MARU Capt. A. Keith, 6,500	WED'DAY, 19th Ja from Yokohama
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE (NIKKO MARU leaving Hongkong 19th Jan. due Kobe	SANUKI MARU	) SATURDAY, 29th

connects)	Capt. K. Homma,	6,500 J June, 110m 110m
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VIE MANILA, THURSDAY SILAND, TOWNSVILLE	Capt. T. Sekine,	5,000 J at Noon.
and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi,	6,000 } THURSDAY, 17
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"SUMATRA," Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed AT THETE EISK in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods

informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 7th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. Damaged packages must be left in the Go-downs for examination by the Consignee's and

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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 31st, 1909.

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Jan., at 4 a.m., and is expected here to-day. This packet brings replied to letters desputched from Hongkong on the 30th October.

FOR		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Chinwantae Haiphong	Haiyang Cheongohing Hongkong	Tuesday, 4th, 10.00 A M Tuesday, 4th,
		Printed Matter and Sam- ples 10.00 A M
EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin (Lote Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon. Extra	7.7	Registration 10.00 A M (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to
Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be	Polynesien :	10.45 A M) Registration, Kowloon
included in this contract mail.)		B.O 10.00 A M   No late fee.
Manila	. Tean	Transfer 4th 300 P M
Shanghai	Warning market	Tuesday, 4th, 5.00 P m   Wednesday, 5th, 11.00 A M
Saigon Singpapore, Penang and Culcutta Sandakan Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island,	Mausany .	TIT-1-00 day 5th 1100 A M
Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth and	Eustern	Wednesday, 5th, 11.00 A M
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Credits, at 4 months' sight	230
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\$5 \$5, sales

57 53, sellers

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53/- buyers

27 buyers

23 - buyers

Quotation.

72/6

Interest.

VERNON & SMYTH, Share-Brokers.

3/3 prem.

\$10 | \$10, sales

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\$60 | \$230.

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#### SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS. ALINE, British str., 1,450, J. Martin, 2nd Jan _Saigon 28th Dec., Rice-Man Fat. APOLIO, British str., 2,433, H. V. Reay, 27th December-Mauritius, General-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ASOVAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,217, I. Matsubazachi, 31st December-Wakamatsu 24th Dec., Coal-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. BRAND, Norwegian str., 1,519, Evensen, 15th Dec.-Chinkiang 9th Dec., General-Wallem & Co.

BUJUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,811, Y. Fuseno, 1st Jan.-Swatow 31st Dec., General-Osaka Shosen Kaisha. CHEONGSHING, British str., 1,265, O. McL.

Liddell, 25th Dec.-Chingwantao 19th Dec., General-Jardine, Matheson & Co. CHINTUFU. Chinese str., 2,260, A. Augensen, 26th Dec.-Tsington 21st Dec., Salt-Wallem & Co.

CHIYO MARU, Japanese str., 7,250, W. W. Greene, 27th Dec.-San Francisco 30th Nov., General-Toyo Kisen Kaisha. CHIYUEN, Chinese str., 1,177, C. Stewart, 2nd Jan,-Shanghai 28th Dec., General-C. M. S. N. Co.

DAIYA MARU, Japanese str., 1,735, Kobayashi, 31st Dec.—Wakamatsu 26th Dec., Coal— Mitsu Bishi Goshi Kwaisha. FAUSANG. British etr., 1,410, H. S. Malkin, the 18th ultimo for Yokohama, Kobe, Md

29th Dec.—Probolingo 19th Dec., Sugar— Jardine, Matheson & Co. HAIVANG, British str., 1,362, Hodgins, 1st Jan.—Swatow 31st Dec., Tea and General—

Douglas, Lapraik & Co. HANGCHOW, British str., 999, G. Mawley, 2nd January-Chefoe 27th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire. HAZEL DOLLAR, British str., 7,200, M. Ridley,

26th December-Moji 21st Dec., Coal-HINBANG, British str., 1,355, Smith, 31st Dec. Java 20th December, Sugar-Jardine, about the 24th inst.

Matheson & Co. Hongkong, French str., 739, A. Cornelinssen 30th Dec. - Haiphong 27th Dec., General-A. R. Marty.

HOPSANG, British str., 1,369, Hay. 30th Dec .--Java 20th December, Sugar-Jardine, Matheson & Co. Hsing Thun, Chinese str., 808, Marhussen,

25th Dec.-Chinkiang 20th Dec., Beans and Ground Nuts-Order. HSIN KONG, Chinese str., 1,262, Hamblin, 27th Dec Shanghai 22nd and Swatow 26th

Dec. General-C. M. S. N. Co. IDOMENEUS, British str., 4,250, R. A. Tillotson, 12th Dec.-Saigon 8th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire. KAIFUKU MARU, Japanese str., 1,903, S. Suda,

17th December-Moji 11th December, Coal -Bradley. KAISHING, British str., 1.215, Lavers, 25th

Dec .- Weihaiwei 20th December, Salt and General-Butterfield & Swire. Knivsberg, German str., 646, Alb. Niejahr, 1st Jan.-Hollow 31st Dec., General-Jebsen & Co.

KUEICHOW, British str., 1,240, W. B. Brown, 21st Dec .- Tientsin 12th Dec . General-Butterfield & Swire. Kumsano, British str., 2,078, E. J. Buller, 29th Dec.—Calcutta, Penang and Singapore-20th Dec., General-Jardine, Matheson & Co. KWANGSE, British str., 1,228, H. Matthias, 27th

Dec.-Chinking 24th Dec. General-Bulterfield & Swire. KWEIYANG, British str., 1,042, Dowson, 23rd Dec.-Tsington 19th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire.

LAERTES, British str., 1,340, Frampton, 29th Dec.-Suigon 23rd December, General-Chinese. Loongsang, British str., 1,093, F. Wheeler, 2nd Jan .- Manila 30th Dec., General-

Jardine, Matheson & Co. MAUSANG, British str., 1,344, G. S. Weigall, 24th Dec. -- Sandakan 18th Dec., Timber and General-Jardine, Matheson & Co. NANCHANG, British str., 1,062, Spink, 31st Dec. Chefoo and Tsingtan 26th Dec., General Butterfield & Swire.

NANSHAN, British str., 1,299, Allan Jones, 29th December-Saigon 23rd December, Rice-Order. PHEUMPENH, British str. 1,065, Jas. H. Scott,

23rd Dec.-Saigon 17th Dec., Rice and General-Wo Fat Sing. PONGTONG. German str., 998, H. Oldsen, 1st Jan.-Bangkok 25th Dec., Rice-Butterfield & Swire. PROMETHEUS. Norwegian str., 1,024, H. Jenssen, 31st Dec .- Bangkok 22nd Dec.,

Rice, etc. - Anguard, Thoresen & Co. PROMINENT, Norwegian str., 746, Christiansen, 22nd Dec.-Dalny 16th Dec., Beans-Angaard, Thoresen & Co. PRONTO, Nerwegian str., 838, Th. Seeberg, 14th Dec. Shoughai 10th December Azgaard, 14997

Thoresen & Co.

RAJAH, German str., 1,275, F. Thorl, 29th Dec Bangkok 19th December, Rice-Butterfield & Swire. SHAOHSING, British str., 1,307, McIntosh, 2nd

Jan.—Dalny 26th Dec., Coal—Butterfield & Swire. SHENGKING, British str., 1,034, E. B. Simons,

25th Dec.—Chingwantao 19th December, General—Butterfield & Swire. Soshu Maru, Japanese str., 1,119, T. Sugi 1st Jon.—Anping and Swatow 31st Dec., General-Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

SUMATRA, British str., 2,976, C. J. Benton. R.N.R., 1st Jan.-London 20th November, General-P. & O. S. N. Co. SUNGKIANG, British str., 989, H. A. Hard, 2nd Jan.-Iloilo 29th Dec., Sugar-Butterfield

TAIAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,234, Nasu, 28th December—Moji 23rd December, Coal—

TAIKOBAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,994, Fukui, 17th Dec.—Miike 11th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. TEAN, British str., 1,346, Outerbridge, 31st

Dec.-Manila 28th December, General-Butterfield & Swire. THORDIS, Norwegian str., 1,091, Jorgensen,

30th Dec .- Bangkok and Swatow 29th Dec., Rice-Kin Tye Lung. TIENTSIN, British str., 1,228, F. Royd, 26th Dec .- Chinkiang 22nd Dec., General-

Butterfield & Swire. TRIUMPH, German str., 768, Jacobsen, 17th December-Manila 18th Dec., Ballast-

Jebsen & Co. TSURUCISAN MARU, Japanese str., W. Nagatsu, 12th Dec. Milke 7th Dec., Coal-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

VICTORIA, Swedish str., 989, Thor Eckert, 31st Dec .- Haiphong 28th and Hoihow 30th Dec., Rice and General-Wallem & Co.

#### VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL. The C.N. Cor's str. Changsha from Australia. may be expected here to day. The I.G.M. str. Coblens left Yap on the 31st ult., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here

on or about the 6th inst. THE FRENCH MAIL. The M.M. str. Neva with the French Mail of the 5th ult., and mails from London of the 4th ultimo, left Saigon on the 1st inst., at 4 a.m., and is expected to arrive here this morning, and will probably leave for Shanghai and Japan the same afternoon.

THE AMERICAN MAIL. The P.M. str. Asia from San Francisco is expected at this port to-day at 8 s.m. THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. str. Devanha left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst., at 1 p.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 6th inst., at about 4 p.m.

THE CANADIAN MAIL: The C.P.R. str. Empress of China left Vancouver for Hongkong on the 18th ultimo a.m., via the usual ports of call, The C.P.R. str. Monteagle left Vancouver for

Hongkong via usual ports of call on the 29th ultimo p.m. MERCHANT STEAMERS. The N.Y.K. str. Totomi Maru (Bombay

Line) left Singapore on the 25th ult., and is expected here to-day. The H.-A. Linie str. Brasilia left Bangkok on the 28th ult. a.m., and may be expected

here to day. The N.Y.K. str. Tango Maru (European Line) left Shanghai on the 1st instant, and is expected here to-morrow at daylight. The str. Knight of Thistic left Tacoma

Hongkong and Manila. The Bank Line str. Oceano left Vancouve on the 21st ult, for Hongkong via Japan ports. The str. Glenearn left Singapore on the 30th ult., and is due here on or about the 6th instant

The Danish str. Indien left Port Said on the 20th ultimo, and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst. The Eng Hok Fong S.S. Co.'s str. Persia

sailed for Hongkong, via Mazatlan and Guay. mas on the 21st ult., and is due here on or

### HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 4th to 10th, 1910.

HIGE WATER.			LOW W	TEE.	
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Thurs	8	m 689	8 0	m 11 14	8 1
Pri.	7	m 656	4 8 6 4	m 1 7	8 1
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HONGKONG METEOBOLOGICAL. REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 3rd.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at	On Date at 4 p.m.
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